



Tuesday, April 18th

7:00pm – 8:00pm, in-person and via Zoom

Agenda & Meeting Minutes

1. Blacktop Ball - May 25th 5:00-7:00 PM

- Fun includes food trucks, a DJ and hula hoop contest!
- Final meeting for those interested in helping with Blacktop Ball on April 27 @ San Jose, 7:30pm. Reach out to [Carolina Oppy](#) for more information.

2. Bylaws update

- The Executive Committee has drafted a number of revisions to the PTO Bylaws, including the addition of new Board position - Vice President of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion and language cleanup
- We will vote on the changes during our next meeting (Monday, May 15).
- Please review the revised bylaws [here](#).
- Reach out to [Ingrid Deetz](#) with any questions or concerns

3. Open board and committee positions

- We are looking for some additions to the PTO Executive Board!
- Three positions currently **do not have anyone to serve next year** - VP, VP of Diversity Equity and Inclusion, & Auditor

- For the positions that do have an incumbent, we would love additional candidates OR for two people to share the role.
- Elections will take place at our next meeting (Monday, May 15)
- We are also looking to fill a number of Committee Chair Positions (Conference Meals, Paver Sales, Student Talent Show Chair, Restaurant Night Chair, Staff Appreciation Chair, Trivia & Auction Co-Chair)
- Learn more [here](#) and reach out to [Ingrid Deetz](#) for more information or to express your interest.

4. Budget update

- Trivia/Auction brought in ~\$25k. This will fund 2 water filling stations and start funding the library project.
 - Hoping to pay for the remaining 3 water filling stations out of the building budget. This project will go out to bid. Timing of completion TBD.
 - Library Committee is meeting April 26, 2023
- Teacher / Staff grants
 - New iPads & cases for the library
 - Bookshelves & storage for some classrooms
 - Busses for a trip to the Federal Reserve
 - Learning games for some classrooms
- We are still accepting requests for teacher / staff grants
- Overall PTO balance healthy (~\$80k) but some has already been allocated (e.g. to water refilling stations, library, teacher grants, etc)

5. Mr. Brown presents - Director of Instructional Technology

- [The Umbrella of Digital Citizenship - Internet Safety, Cyberbullying and our Digital Footprints](#) - *Check out this presentation for lots of great links!*

- Mr. Brown uses [Our Pact](#) a parental control and family locator app with his own family
- Have an open dialogue with your kids about technology. Let them know that if something happens, it doesn't mean that it is their fault
- Consider keeping charging stations and devices out of bedrooms
- Ghost apps - look like real apps but have a different function (e.g. Calculator #)
- Older kids have started using AI for schoolwork
- Librarians, EFA Teachers are teaching an E-Safety curriculum to students
- The quicker a child tells an adult about a problem, the quicker we are able to resolve it
- With young kids we want them to know they are going to interact with things and that there is an adult to help them
- Adding a - between the t & u on YouTube links to remove cookies (eliminate ads & sidebar videos)
- Disney & Common Sense Media put out a lot of resources
- There is an app on each student's Clever account - Be Internet Awesome
- All social media platforms - must be 13 years or older; majority have gone to 12 w/parent consent

6. From Dr. Peterson

- THANK YOU for all the \$ for teacher / staff grants!
- Travel-themed teacher appreciation week coming up!
- Idea for PTO - provide spiritwear at the beginning of the year that kids can wear to events throughout the year
- Fifth Grade Celebration - Typically a school event (9 AM); families are invited, fourth graders attend. May want some fifth grade family help

(slide shows, photo booth). Received some feedback that it is hard for families to attend during the day and they would prefer at night. However, it is harder to ensure that all students can attend at night. Discussion from the group about what might work best. Dr. Peterson is open to hearing feedback from others.

Upcoming PTO Meeting Dates and Times

- Monday, May 15th, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Upcoming Events and Activities

- Mom's Night Out Social - Friday, April 21
- Avery Blood Drive - Friday, April 21
- Family Movie Night - Friday, April 28 **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**
- Teacher Appreciation Week - May 8-12th
- BOGO Book Fair - May 10-11th **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**
- Blacktop Ball - Thursday, May 25th **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**